## TWO WOLVES AND A LAMB.

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"Gus, who were those three young ladies to whom you bowed so graciously as we drove through the Bois de Boulogne this evening?' Gus deigned me no reply, but eyed lovingly a morsel of cotelet he held exalted upon the taste was gratified.

"I say, do you hear me, Gus?" I repeated, impatiently.

Gus, who continued to eye the mutton, remarked, vaguely:

"'Pon honor, 'tis too bad; this cotelet is decidedly overdone-too brown entirely; it is a burning shame that in an establishment like this a cook should be employed capable of such an atrocity. Now, my cook-

"Hang your cook!" I interrupted, impatiently; "when you are at dinner it seems impossible to get from you a word or idea not associated with the food you are consuming Did you hear my question?"

"Yes, I did hear you grumbling something about carriage-young ladies-Bois de Boulogne. Pass that claret, please. Tut! this is too bad! the wine is as warm as Mississippi water in July, and quite as turbid, too. I declare, that vile garcon has been giving it a

At this juncture a look of most ineffable disgust must have overspread my face, for Gus smiled, and resumed

"Oh, pardon me. You made some inquiry yes, I remember. At present, however, I am much too hungry to be communicative; better wait until we have finished dinner. Here comes the omelette souflette; there is no time for chat now; an omelette, you know, must be eaten hot. Let us get through it at once like men. There is nothing so calculated to produce serenity of mind as a steady performance that I am lion-like in my nature-magnanimous and all that sort of thing—yet with a decided prejudice against being disturbed at my meals. I prefer doing but one thing at a time, especi-

Johnson said, 'I like to dine.' Gus was incorrigible. I deemed it prudent for the present to let him alone. It seemed with which I have commenced my story.

from our fragrant panetellas was floating ing to behold. dreamily and cloudlike over our heads, when Gus, arousing himself with an effort, said :

enough to accumulate.

"Are they sisters?" I inquired. "The tall girls are twins; the other is their rows that I was led to remark: cousin. She is as different from them as it is possible for a woman to be. The twins have in disposition. Their cousin is a girl of angelic | whenever the door is opened." sweetness of temper; besides she is one of the most accomplished ladies I have ever met. Mr. Walton." The sole occupation of the Wolves seems to be the invention of torments to inflict upon the Lamb, who endures them with a patience worthy of the name. The present pet weakness of the Wolves is a disgusting penchant for snakes. But, by the way, should you like

to know them?" "Of course, I should; your discription has aroused my curiosity. One so fascinating, the others so singular. Let me know them by all in most instances, they consider themselves of hesitation Miss Burrows rejoined : means; they will be anything but everyday privileded to make all manner of evasions

"Well, then, so be it," rejoined Gus. "I am pretty certain we shall find them at home this | ter. In her. however, it did not appear an evening. There is no better time than the present-only bear in mind, my good fellow, you are not to fall in love with the Lamb; that amiable creature is already appropriated."

As he concluded he rose lazily and drew on the Hotel Wagram, and soon were in our rooms I, "these two women are rivals-a spirit of claimed: dressing for our visit to the Goffes.

walking along the Boulevard on our way not be accepted." thither, "at any eccentricity, however gross. the Wolves may be disposed to commit; nor tering snaky look that gleamed from the Wolf. | you had with Laura." visit your displeasure on my unfortunate head It seemed as if the light that glistened in the in case they should snub you. Many a man eyes of her scaly pet, was reflected from her moment. There was a wild sparkle in his eye as good as yourself, my dear fellow, has met own and rendered terrible by its human associa- which seemed to make him look devilish. with shocking treatment at their fair hands. tion and intelligence. At that moment I felt One thing you will have to console you. No that it would be preferable to take to my bosom he uttered in a suppressed tone. "Had I bematter how much the Wolves may snap and her disgusting pet, with its clammy folds, than lieved in the truth of clairvoyance, had I not ness and gentleness of the Lamb.'

We found them occupying a splendid suite, of apartments in the Rue de say splendid, I mean that sort of gorgeousness made up of gilding and French upholstery. The furniture was as costly as money could procure, but each article of it seemed to have with reference to the rest. It had been, seemharmony, or even contrast.

I entered leaning on the arm of my friend. Being somewhat nearsighted, I found myself vis-a-vis to the twins ere I was aware of it. Gus introduced me in his blandest manner, producing, however, no other result than a have come. Let me present you to Mr. Bra- most carelessly on Maria's poor little pet, and

exclamation from the sister of-

I hate them.' that I might not be most graciously received, movements. When she arose and extended to they will occasion some lamentable catastrophe, yet I was quite appalled at this rough, insulting reception. I began to stammer something face than I had ever deemed it capable of example of about venturing to intrude, anxiety to be in- pressing. troduced, and so forth, when I was cut short honored me with a nod remarking:

I ventured something about the pleasure I

ad anticipated in making their acquaintance, when I was again interrupted by her saying: "Pray, spare us that; I hate conventional compliments.'

I was quite demolished by this. Sinking into strike your fancy would have been most difficult scene. the vacant chair, I became so nervous and em- to procure and inconvenient to transport." barassed that I was about to deposit my hat upon the table, when the lady who rejoiced in her hatred of her four male friends almost luvian reptalia, which some geologist with an acter, better suited, I should say, to the violinshouted to me:

Do you wish to crush my pet."

lithe hideousness, a harmless but disgusting not have been inclined to part with it."

same feeling, by which we may imagine, a bird these pleasantries the upper half of his face all its struggles, hopping hopelessly toward most difficult, nay, almost impossible, to school,

of my friend's admonition "not to fall in love glossy luxuriance might have inspired a woman remember," continued he, turning toward the that one might imagine a man would fall in style of dress, gave to his tout ensemble that the morning newspaper, a presentiment flashed She was most winning and gracious in her seeing him for the first time.

myself to the Lamb I observed them exchange a malicious glance. be a fitting punishment for so horrible a crime; point of his fork, as though he would first | The one who gloried in her hatred of her four | none of us were inclined to clemency, or seemed | self beside me, said, in an undertone: thoroughly enjoy the sense of sight ere that of male acquaintances exclaimed in a warning for a moment to think or wish that she should

to be afraid of him.

Miss Burrows shuddered. An expression of observed tremulously: "I am very sorry; had I been aware of it

should not have left my room. "Oh! it was not on your account I spoke,"

only pray keep your eyes about you. beside me upon the sofa.

some useful purpose in the economy of nature | have lived to have welcomed death in its most about those girls we met during our drive. Ah, A snake, however, I cannot tolerate. It in appalling form, as the sweetest boon Heaven spires me with indescribable disgust and

> terror. "And will not your cousins give it up," I

to cherish such outre pets. "My cousins are somewhat peculiar in their tastes I must admit." replied she. "Perhaps they are a little spoiled by never having been of ones duties; and I wish to have nothing to compelled to sacrifice them to the feelings or that I have brought with me from London. It reproach myself with on that score. Besides, wishes of others. That, however, is not their was performed by a young lady at one of Dr. I will confide to you in the strictest confidence fault. I am sure they do not cherish their Morton's soirces. She has no musical educa-

thus apologetically for her cousins, and felt ever listened." ally when that thing is dining. 'Yes,' as she was a deal too charitable in her disposi-

I was indeed very much interested in her. In conversations about many things in France garcon brought in the coffee and we had lighted | bosom left her seat, where she had evidently | recollection of ever having performed it." our eigars did I again venture the question been quarrelling with Gus, and took a chair beside the centre table, upon which she de-We were quite alone in one of the petite posited her scaly pet, where it lay twisting will find on my dressing-room table." at Verys, where, after a long drive, we and coiling its flexile, half torpid length about had betaken ourselves for dinner. The smoke her hand and arm, in a manner most disgust- resumed:

Although she seemingly concentrated her "So you are interested in that singular trio about her, when narrowly observed, a half sceptic with reference to spiritualism, clairvoy- but, as I am not hungry, I beg to be permitted Drunkenness robs a man of his substance, whom the Parisians, with their fondness for watchful, expectant air, that would lead to the ance, and kindred mysteries. Had the things to remain where I am. soubriquets, have named 'the Wolves and the impression that something else also occupied I there saw been related to me, I should have Lamb. They are countrymen of mine, who her mind. She always started with a timid been most incredulous. I not only saw much as I would not then take my leave, he remained have accompanied their venerable father to look when the door opened, which look con- that I cannot explain, but things that made me to accompany me home. Paris to dissipate the fortune he has been lucky trasted strongly with her generally assured, doubt my own senses. At my particular rewas shared to so great an extent by Miss Bur-

"You appear to be expecting somebody or ordinary cultivation and acquirements-are it is an agreeable anticipation from the delightexcessively brusque in manner and eccentric ed, eager manner with which you look up rows said, with a forced smile:

> "Ah, yes," she rejoined, "I am expecting "Happy Mr. Walton," said I with a smile. 'to excite so much interest.'

"Oh, it is very natural," she replied with an air of most charming naivette. "Do you not of her dress half high. know that Mr. Walton and I are engaged?" I could not help smiling as I look at her, for this was a sort of acknowledgment that ladies with regard to it, and often tell most ingenious and admirably concocted fibs about the mat-

her character. his paletot. The dinner paid for and the ac- Wolf glaring at her with a look of such concen- arm bear the marks of violence?" customed douceur given to the garcon, we de- trated, inter-ified batred, as fairly made me parted. Arm in arm we sauntered slowly to shudder. "i here is no mistaking it," thought livid, whilst the other, starting forward, ex-

light and a spirit of darkness worshipping at "Don't be surprised," said Gus as we were the same shrine; both of their offerings can- frightened? Don't be stupid. Can't you see There was something revolting in the glit-

marked to the Lamb :

"Oh, no;" she replied with the same innocent manner, "I thought every one knew that cousin As he concluded, he half playfully seized ANECDOTE OF ADMIRAL FARRAGUT. manner, "I thought every one knew that cousin Walton was engaged to me.'

At this juncture the door opened and a deliingly, gathered together without any idea of her hands, which he took in his own whilst he buried themselves in the flesh. looked tenderly at her.

"Yes, only a little nervous at times. I shall, cold nod from the eldest of the twins and an ham." He bowed and shook my hand cordial- to save it from being crushed she seized my ly, then crossed the room to where the Wolf arm rather more roughly than she intended." "Mr. Williams, I beg you will not introduce sat at the table, ostensibly absorbed in her An embarassing pause here ensued. Walton me to any more men. I know four now, and scaly pet. I could observe, however, from the broke in upon it by sternly remarking: furtive manner in which she looked up without | "I would advise you, Maria, to give up those My friend's warning had led me to expect raising her head, that she was watching his disgusting pets. I have a fearful presentiment ral and engineer:

in my timid utterances by the twin who had marked he smilingly, "I have brought you a its reality. Let me again warn you, Maria, to book I am sure you will revel in-a book of give up those horrible pets, for I cannot rid many of her parts, and not safe,' "You can sit down, sir, now that you are travels in Iava-a place that would be a Para- myself of the conviction," repeated he, impreshere; and do pray dispose of your hat. People who twirl their hats are always bores."

dise to you, from the number and variety of sively, "that something terrible will result from cherishing them." makes it contains. You shall have it bye and cherishing them."

bye when I unpack." "And have you brought me nothing?" enquired the other Wolf.

"What was it?" both exclaimed in a breath. "One of the preserved specimens of antediunpronouncable name has just presented to the | cello than the piano. However, let us try." "Be careful, sir, where you place your hat. Crystal Palace Association. Although being It was decidedly original in its character, and

reptile, known in America as the garter snake. Whilst Mr. Walton had been giving expres- dripping of a fountain, or the soft murmur of had the greatest care taken of it, and is now Miss Goffe gave me a reproachful glance as sion to this banter I had leisure to study his a brook, recalling, too, the sighing of the in excellent repair. Little change has been she took it up and placed it in her bosom, face, and observed how strongly marked his night-wind as I have heard it in the tropics made in it since the terrible days of the Revowhere the greater part of it lay concealed in countenance was. You would have imagined whispering through the delicate leaves of the lution. It is a rock house, consisting of two d hand of its mistress.

I was absorbed and fascinated by this scene,

I was absorbed and fascinated by this scene in the same manner and with something of the would have suggested. Even whilst uttering to be impressed, when it finds itself, despite never seemed to smile. The eye, which is playing. When she concluded, he remarked: encing a feeling akin to this, when the door banter. The lines on his forehead, the indenta- I have within me some latent power soon to be accounted for in some respects by the nature supplied him with the means of intoxication. opened, and the spell was broken by the tions between his eyebrows neither softened developed. At times I seem endowed with a of the ground. entrance of a spiritual looking creature into nor changed; his thin lips alone smiled and penetration almost painful to me, and a forethey only for an instant, then relapsed into a knowledge of events that borders on the super- thrown-up dirt. Part of the entrenchments fogetting his struggle with the king of terrors, Gus took her hand as she approached, and severe expression. I do not know that I ever natural. When I say events, I mean those of extend through wooded country. The forts are exclaimed. "Yes, I remember you, and I remainded may agitation, and my old friend—the seaman of the soil that now goes to useless weeds could turning to me said, "Allow me to present my saw a mouth express such inflexible determination and individual character and connected with still elevated above the common level, and, member your store where I formed the habit that held his head—said sadly: saw a mouth express such innextone determina-riend, Mr. Philip Braham."

She smiled sweetly as she extended her hand,

She smiled sweetly as she extended her h rejoining kindly as she did so, "A friend of auburn hair, parted in the middle, was thrown gard. People that I dislike, or toward whom I cannon-balls at the headquarters. Here the come to take from my wife and children the more than one—when your log's out," he spoke

with her." She was just that sort of creature with envy. This, together with his boyish Lamb. "that some time since, whilst reading love with at first sight, recklessly, hopelessly. air of adolescence which would impress one on over me that something terrible had happened

at home? You will also recollect how you all manner, with one of those indescribably sweet | About that period all Paris was in a feas- endeavored to ridicule me out of the idea. faces, which at once attracts us without our ment of excitement with regard to a murder Then I hesitated to say how deep an impression being able to assign any exact reason why. which had been recently committed, under cir- it had made upon me; nor would I relate with Her eyes were of dark hazel, and she had a cumstances of horrible atrocity. A young what vivid distinctness I had seen pass in redreamy way of looking out from them that lady, in a respectable position amongst the view before me the terrified faces of my mother gave you an impression of her being connected Burgoise, had poisoned a lady friend from mo- and sisters. Judge my surprise on opening with, or attracted to some other, better exist- tives of jealously. By this terrible crime the my letters, which awaited me in London, to ence that did not entirely seperate her from lover of the murdered Mad'lle Varigny had learn that (allowing for the difference in time this. One often hears the expression "a spiritual been driven to desperation, and to be rid of an that a variation in longitude would produce) at looking woman." I had, however, never be- existence so full of misery, had drowned him- the very hour, ave, the very moment, when fore met anyone who so thoroughly realized self in the Seine. Our friends had some slight those terrified faces passed in review before the description I was enchanted with her. acquaintance with the parties, so the lamenta- me they were in the midst of a frightful rail-I almost forgot the Wolves and began to devote ble occurrence naturally became a topic of con- road accident, from which they narrowly esversation during the evening. Numberless caped with life. The Wolves merely looked up as she entered. suggestions had been made as to what would be spared the penalty of death, as the murder going to have a drop of tea." "Mind how you step, my nervous cousin, was characterized by many revolting features, Mimi is out. I know your ladyship pretends and was the undoubted result of long premedi-

Walton, on being appealed to for an opinion, alarm and disgust flitted across her face as she said, "if they wish to punish her the infliction for the possession of the scaly pet, which, seemof death will not effect that object. A woman I who loves with such intensity of passion that she will commit murder to attain the object of her affections, must also be capable of feeling rejoined the Wolf. "I feared it might get in the keenest manner the pangs of remorse. cushions, twirling itself about the chair legs, upon the floor and be trodden upon by you, as A woman like that should be made to live and erecting its little scaly head, darting forth its it was the other day. It is in sister's bosom be so environed, that every moment of her ex- forked tongue, all to the great delight of the must work. now. You need not be alarmed for its safety; istence the evidences of her crime should be kept unavoidably before her. Had the lover Miss Burrows drew back as she observed the of the murdered girl been else than a fool, he object of her horror and detestation so close to would have endeavored to suppress the eviher. Gliding across the room she took a seat | dence he gave which led to her conviction, and held it ever suspended over her like the sword me if it is twelve," I rejoined. "I have an unconquerable horror of all of Damocles. He should have let her live; yet reeping things," said she in an agitated voice. so live as to be each moment face to face with best way you can," he threatened. I have tried to reason myself out of it without | death. I cannot understand why men destroy success, being conscious that it must be some themselves under such circumstances. Had I how wrong to hate, or rather detest, anything been he, I should have spared no effort to save God has made, and doubtless designed to serve her; and, having accomplished that, she should

could bestow upon her. That man, thought I, as I regarded the vindictive expression that crept over his face as asked. "It is singular they should be disposed | he spoke, is not one to be safely offended. As Walton ceased speaking he rose, crossed

the room, and rang the bell. "Laura," said he, turning to Miss Burrows, 'I wish to hear you execute a piece of music pets to annoy others, but to afford pleasure to | tion whatever, and whilst in a state of clairvoyance she sat at the piano and improvised I gazed at the young creature who spoke the most extraordinary melodies to which I

almost unkind to disturb him from what was and England, of which we cherished reminis- by them all a correct reproduction of the melevidently so near his heart; so I sat quietly censes in common, with discussions upon ody note for note. The most singular part of me they are improving in the wrong direction. whilst he finished his omelette, trifled with a books, music and the various topics of the the whole is that the lady herself, in her natural Let us go. portion of the Charlotte Russe, devoured a day, I found the evening gliding most agree-large Marie Louise pear, and not until the ably away. The Wolf with the snake in her from the manuscript, and had not the slightest that long ago; "I rejoined with an air of dig-The servant here made his appearance.

almost defiant air. This expectant manner quest, the clairvoyant was transported here. wish to test the truth of her revelations. Laura, permit me to examine your arm.'

> At this request Miss Burrows started up and wish to see my arm?'

I now observed, for the first time, that whilst

There was an evident indisposition exhibited on her part to comply with Walton's request. find it very difficult to make, and which they deprecating look, and the whole affair began to have drawn me. seldom or never volunteer. On the contrary, wear an air of interest. After a few moments "No, no, cousin Walton; I cannot show it

exhibition of vanity or a manifestation of for- pliance with my request. I do not ask for the a desire to please Walton-an effort she made wardness, but a confession quite in harmony gratification of an idle curiosity, but to confirm for no other human being. with the genuine innocence and simplicity of me either in a belief or disbelief in a subject of more than ordinary interest. Tell me," As she concluded I looked up and found the continued he almost sternly, "does not your

At this one of the twins grew absolutely

"Nonsense, Maria! Why do you look so it is all a trick? It is plain enough that some one has been telling cousin Walton of the row

Walton's lips seemed to grow thinner every "It is true, then, there has been a quarrel,'

snarl, you will be amply recompensed for any to come in contact with its mistress. I shuddeemed it all a delusion, I would not have injuries they may inflict in the winning kind-dered, and after a few moments silence re-asked questions that have led to this painful expose. Yet, as we have gone thus far." con-"Am I to regard this as a remarkable proof | tinued he, sneeringly, "if only for the purpose of deciding a question of science, let us investi

Laura's hand, and, raising the sleeve of her dress, disclosed just above the elbow on her been chosen more for its individual value, than | cately formed man of middle height entered the | delicate and beautifully moulded arm the deep room. Miss Burrows rose and extended both imprint of a hand, the nails of which had

Walton looked inquiringly from one to the "You have been well?" said he in a quiet other, as though he would ask some explana-"It is nothing, cousin Walton," pleaded

however, quiet myself again, now that you Laura, disengaging her arm from him. I trod

there is some truth in clairvovance. I did "Still cultivating my old antipathy," re- not, however, expect so painful an evidence of

Happily at this moment the servant entered the room bringing with him the music. I im-"Well, no; I am sorry to say I have not. mediately proposed it should be played, being thoroughly delighted to find anything to inter
Admiral— The only thing I saw that I thought would rupt what had become a painful, embarassing her movements?"

Miss Burrows seated herself at the piano.

After glancing at the music, she remarked: "It seems odd and rather difficult in charonly thirty feet long, it would have been rather differed from any composition to which I had Standing up, I was completely horrified to difficult to put in my trunk, besides which the ever listened. It seemed to suggest in a striking discover squirming upon the table in all its directors of that transparent institution might degree the sounds of Nature, at one moment like the carolling notes of a bird, the musical

I could not but regard the fixed expression of Walton's face as Miss Burrows continued "I have lately felt that I stand upon the yours cannot but be a welcome visitor. I am delighted to see you."

adding kindly as she did so, "A friend of his forehead (which was rather narrow and not very high) and hung almost to his shoulders but those I love are as palpable to me in these and here its great commander bowed his head cannon-bans at the neadquarters. Here the not very high) and hung almost to his shoulders and here its great commander bowed his head cannon-bans at the neadquarters. Here the come to take from my wite and children the middle, was thrown am indifferent, cross my mind only in thought. American army endured sad want from hunger, and here its great commander bowed his head so the come to take from my wite and children the more than one—when your log s out, shattered remains of my property to pay off my with emotion, "to mourn over you."

Suddenly the little fellow opened here is great commander bowed his head shattered remains of my property to pay off my with emotion, "to mourn over you."

THE HOME CIRCLE.

HOME AFFECTIONS.

I've gazed on many a lovely scene, Of sunny skies and vales of green. And mountain heights sublime; But far more lovely, far more fair, In happy home with loved ones there-That's lovelier, divine.

Morning may clothe in golden ray, And gushing fountains sweetly play, And nature smiling fair-I'd rather have a wish in heart For "home affections," they impart Pure joy that's found but there.

Sweet, happy home, where love entwines Her sweet heart's ease 'mid cares of thine. And dwells with thee forever: Sweeter than skies of brightest hue Are hearts that love us fond and true.

 That naught but death can sever. I gave him a look of disgust, for I did not For the NEW ERA. wish to leave. I knew what his whisper indicated, so I pretended to be absorbed in a playful A SHORT PATENT SERMON. dispute that was going on between the Wolves BY PARSON ALLBRIGHT. ingly aroused from its torpor, was writhing Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not .- Proand turning its disgusting length first about the arm of one, then another of the sisters; now Be industrious. An idle soul shall suffer upon the sofa, then upon the floor, under the

hunger.—Proverbs ix, 15.

there is no appeal.

the ant, and learn wisdom therefrom.

to work at whatever he can find to do.

work that is disgraceful.

He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of

shall have poverty enough. - Proverbs x xviii, 19.

There is something for everybody to do who

mechanics, as dealers in merchandise, or in

other departments of industry, every hand may

You cannot all be lawyers, nor merchants,

Work is honorable; it is the unwillingness to

Let every man and woman make it a rule to

Be temperate. Look not thou upon the wine

Tens of thousands of your fellow men have

suffered from its poisonous bite and felt its

erect form and God-like intellect wallow in the

his self-respect, and his good name. It fur-

If you have a wife to cherish, if you have

the intoxicating cup. Beware of the first

Avoid the company of those who would in-

tice you to partake of strong drink as you

would a gang of highwaymen or robbers who

were seeking to take from you your worldly

Benjamin Franklin said "a penny saved is

If you earn but six dollars a week put one

Saturday, where it will draw interest and help

money, and earning something for you even

and economy, saving a portion, small though it

And then a little cash in bank makes one

feel more like a man. It keeps off the blues on

a rainy day, and like a nest egg serves as an

inducement to lay more eggs in the same bas-

only in the sight of the Lord, but also in

Be honest. Providing for honest things, not

He that walketh uprightly walketh surely .-

being old, that "honesty is the best policy."

Treasures of wickedness profit nothing .-

to do wrong.

be honest.

way up little by little, by habits of industry and sensative. Often when they jeered him

gutter, and the swine avoid them.

the world with widows and orphans.

when it is red; at the last it biteth like a ser-

pent, and stingeth like an adder.-Proverbs

twins and the horror and disgust of the rest of A lazy man or women is an abomination in the company. the sight of the Lord. Gus again nudged me. "Come," said he "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat do you know it is almost eleven?" Don't bother me, it makes no difference to bread," is an edict of the Almighty, as old

"I shall leave you then to stumble home the "Go on," said I coolly, "I believe I have a few francs in my pocket, and can take a flacre | crime. Let the sluggard consider the ways of

At this moment Gus, who had been fidgeting

"'Pon my word, I don't believe they are

in his chair, crossed the room and seating him-

if it is necessary. At this moment of controversy the drawingroom door opened, and we heard distinctly the bread; but he that followeth after vain persons ingling of glasses outside. A sunny smile instantly illumined the hungry visage of my friend, who hastily replaced his gloves in his pocket and wore the appearance of a man who is willing to work. As tillers of the soil, as accepted the situation.

Two servants entered. One bore a tray of wine, the other a silver basket containing a variety of light cakes, biscuit, &c. When Gus saw the kind of refreshments pro-

vided, he did not look so happy as before. He helped himself to a couple of macaroons, nor mechanics; but the fields of industry are poured out a glass of wine, and, between the as wide as the world, and no man need be idle. sips, he whispered to me: "Cousins or not cousins, I shall cut these

people; I can't stand this. When they first "You know I am quick at catching such came to Paris they were more christian-like things. I jotted down the notes, and it was and less polished. They then fed the hungry, earn their bread before they eat it, and the afterwards played over from my manuscript ere. When you came to see them you were sure of world will have fewer idlers than it has now. the company dispersed, and was pronounced your supper. Now a days they are getting entirely to French for my tastes. It strikes

nity; "and what is more, you have my humble permission to stop at every restaurant on the "Bring me," said Walton, "a parcel you way home and gorge yourself to your heart's piercing sting, even unto death. content. If you have no money with you, my ' A drunken man is a human soul disguised as observed no less than four places between here exchanged for the habits of the beast-the "I saw at Dr. Morton's some things so mys- and the hotel where you may comfort and reterious and inexplicable that they have haunted gale yourself. Amongst them all you may find attention upon her strange pet, there was me ever since. You know I have ever been a sufficient to satisfy your voracious appetite;

Gus continued to grumble at intervals; but, nishes the poor-houses with inmates and fills

Conversation was resumed after the refreshments were disposed of. We entered upon the children to love and protect, if you have others discussion of spiritual manifestations from the dependent upon you for support, if you would Misses Fox and their rappings down to Hume be respected or prospered in the world, avoid and his wonderful performances, Brewster on something-which is it? At least I feel assured became by turns pale and red. The Wolves natural magic Mesmer, Crowe's night-side of also were pale and much agitated. Miss Bur- nature, and the whole cycle of kindred myste- dram, for be sure it is liquid poison, which ries. At last we were reduced to the discussion | carries death to both body and soul. "What an odd request. Why should you of ghosts and ghost stories, and so ended the evening.

After this my first meeting with the Misses the twins wore dresses extremely low in the Goffe I spent many evenings in their society. neck, with short sleeves, Miss Burrows were By degrees they came to regard me as a person her sleeves buttoned at the wrist, and the body of whom they could not get rid, and whose so- goods; for such company would rob you of ciety they must endure if they could not enjoy. that which is more valuable than gold and My intimacy with Gus naturally led me frequently to the house, where the attractions of silver. I observed the elder of the Wolves give her a the Lamb alone would have been sufficient to Touch not, taste not, handle not that which

Being so frequently in their society, I could not but notice in how many ways the Wolf Maria exhibited her foundess for Walton. Close observation detected efforts on her part, independence he must learn to save. "Your very hesitation," said Walton, earn- which would have been trifling in another woestly, "makes me more anxious for a com- man, yet more remarkable in her, as evincing

By degrees the aversion, v .h which they had at first inspired me, gave place to a feeling | dollar into the Freedman's Savings Bank every of toleration, which finally merged into indifference, as far as their eccentricities were concerned. I came to regard them in the light of two women to whom obscurity was misery, not being endowed with those qualities of heart and mind that would have conduced to their while you are asleep. celebrity; they chose to be notorious in pref-

erence to remaining obscure. Every day we were more and more together, until at length they began to regard me in the light of a brother. They made me the envied of my male friends by the distinguished consideration with which they treated me.

Each day I deemed the Lamb grew more charming. It was almost happiness to look on tender to each other. Their two lives seemed bound up together. There was an astonishing similarity of taste between them. TO BE CONTINUED.

The following anecdote of Admiral Farragut, we believe, says the New Haven Journal, has not appeared in print. While at New Orleans the officers of the Susquehanna, probably desirous of going North, represented the ship as greatly in need of repairs. A board of survey was appointed to examine and report on her condition. In due time the report was handed to the Admiral. After reading it over carefully, he remarked: "I find nothing but gene- sight of men .- 2 Corinthians viii, 21. ralities in this report; it does not appear that anything is broken in the machinery, or that anything is specially wrong about her.' Then followed a dialogue between the Admi-

Admiral-"What is the matter with the

Engineer-"General debility, sir." Admiral-"That's very definite; what do you mean by general debility?" Engineer-"I mean that she is very weak in

Admiral-" Still quite indefinite; now tell the contents into dross. ments? Engineer-"Yes, sir; she cannot be re-

versed ; i. e., she cannot be managed in back-Admiral-" Is that the only thing wrong in Engineer-" Yes sir; I believe so." Admiral-"She will then answer my pur-

pose; I do not want a vessel in my fleet to ings. move backward." He then tore the report into pieces. Nothing more was heard of the "debility" of the Sus-

all your business relations, and you will have VALLEY FORGE .- The house which Washing. something to fall back upon if you should meet ton made his headquarters at Valley Forge, on with reverses in business. Meet every obligation to the utmost limit of your ability. Hold your word sacred; put far the folds of her dress; whilst its head and neck him to be about twenty-two, but there were bamboo and mimosa; than again like the music rooms below and two above, having a narrow in every form. Do unto others as you would moved hither and thither caressed by the jewel- deep lines on his forehead and a thoroughly of the waves as they fall in solemn regularity hall. (ome one-story rooms have been added.) that others should do unto you in similar circumstances. In short, let it be your pride to generally shows its great antiquity. The inearn from the world, and from Him who seeth side is painted white. The rooms are neatly papered, and everything appears tidy and the heart, the title of "honest man." attractive. The old entrenchments have also the distended jaws of a snake. I was experidid not seem to harmonize with his playful brink of some great discovery in myself—that most perfect in some places. This may be inebriate was once visited by the men who had

There is a great deal of rock mixed with the ear, "Do you remember me?" The dying man, and here its great commander bowed his head rum debts, they will remember you. Yes, and Suddenly the little fellow opened his eyes and we shall remember you to all eternity.

great riches.-Proverbs xxii, 1.

An Honest Rumseller's Advertisement.

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS: Having just opene a commodious shop for the sale of "Liquid hand, "do you not know me, Dick?" Fire." I embrace this early opportunity of informing you that on Saturday next I shall commence the business of making drunkards, pau- than most people are to a poor orphan boy.

I shall deal in "familiar spirits," which will earth. excite men to deeds of riot, robbery, and blood, and by so doing diminish the comforts, aug.

of the peaceable community. I will undertake, at short notice for a small sum, and with great expedition, to prepare victo buy yours. tims for the insane asylums, the poor-houses,

the prisons, and the gallows. the amount of fatal accidents, multiply the and all about it in my trunk." which are harmless incurable.

of life, many of reason, most of property, and an angel's smile-but he did not answer. His all of peace; which will cause fathers to be eyes were flickering in that patch of blue sky fiends, wives to be widows, children to be or- overhead. His mind wandered. phans, and all mendicants.

corrupt the ministers of religion, obstruct the ment. He fell back, and the old veteran burst progress of the gospel, defile the purity of into tears. The child was dead. Did he in Labor is a law of necessity: whosoever eateth the church, and cause temporal, spiritual, deed hear angel's voices? God grant it. and eternal death; and if any should be so impertinent as to ask why I have the audacity to bring such accumulated misery upon a comparatively happy people. my honest reply is,

fessing Christians give it their cheerful coun- addressed as follows: nearly as the world we inhabit, and from it tenance. I have a license, and if I do not bring these Idleness is the sure road to poverty and

evils upon you, somebody else will, I live in a land of liberty. I have purchased the right to demolish the character, destroy the health, shorten the lives, and ruin the souls of those who chose to honor

me with their custom. I pledge myself to do all I have herein pro mised. Those who wish any of the evils a love specified brought upon themselves or their dearest friends, are requested to meet me at the BAR, where I will for a few cents furnish them with show off linen, and the worst for manners. be profitably employed if its owner determines | the certain means of doing so.

> ---NONE SPOKE A SINGLE WORD TO ME.

It was indeed a festive scene, · The hall was all agleam with light, And stalwart men and maidens fair In mirth forgot times hasty flight. I sadly wander'd 'midst the throng, To where I heard their laughter free, And stood, a lonely looker on; None spoke a single word to me.

Around me men and matrons smil'd On the loud mirth they once could share, And gaz'd with loving eyes upon Loved offspring in their places there. And ever and anon they threw A quiet jest to swell the glee : Yet whilst I sadly smil'd on them,

None spoke a single word to me.

Told from old Eve's time until now, And fair cheeks flush'd, and then grew pale, Whilst list ning to some whisper'd vow. And laughing children midst the throng Wore faces, ah! so sweet to see; Yet though my heart o'erflowed to them, None spoke a single word to me.

Tis very sad to walk-amidst A joy in which you mingle not, And feel yourself amidst the crowd The only one who seems forgot. Yes, even far above the stars I dull and sad of heart should be, If, 'midst that bright angelic host, None spoke a single word to me.

-THE ORPHAN BOY.

"He faded, yet so calm and meek,

The bustle of the fight was over; the prisoners had been secured, and the decks washed down, the watch piped, and the schooner had once more relapsed into midnight quiet and rewild dreams, which, like the visions of a fever, agitated and unnerved me; the late strife, the of surplus earnings. If a man would secure things mingled together as figures in phantas- sir.' magoria. Suddenly a hand was laid on my shoulder, and starting up I beheld the surgeon's two pence clear," and Franklin was a very wise

"Little Dick, sir, is a dving," said he in low At once I sprang from my hammock. Little Dick was a sort of protege of mine. He was a pale, delicate child, said to be an orphan, and used to gentle nature, and from the you to earn more; by so doing you will soon first hour I joined the schooner, my heart have a little capital working with you to make | yearned towards him, for I too had once been friendless and alone in the world. He had often talked to me in confidence of his mother, whose memory he regarded with holy reverence, while Many of the wealthiest men in our country to the other boys of the ship he had little to by the procession of the exquinoxes, and on

self and weep. He never complained of his may have been at first, of their little earnings. lot, though his companions imposed on him con-By and by the capital they had saved began to tinually. Poor lad! His heart was in the bring them in more money than they were grave with his loved and lost parents. her and Walton; they were so loving, so quietly earning themselves, and then they very soon ened his task as much as possible. During the late fight I had owed my life to him, for he By saving part of your earnings each week rushed in just as a saber stroke was leveled at tainly our friends are as liberal with us as the me, and by interposing his feeble cutlass had Lord was with you. as these men did, you will certainly acquire averted the deadly blow. In the hurry and property. You may not, perhaps, get as rich confusion since, I had quite forgotten to inquire as they, but you will be agreeably surprised at | if he was hurt, though at the time, I inwardly the result if you will try the experiment for a resolved to exert all my influence to procure him a midshipman's warrant in requittal of his

for his melancholy, he would go apart by him-

service. It was in a pang of reproachful agony therefore, that I leaped to my feet-"My God!" I exclaimed, "you don't mean it? He is not dying?'

his head sadly, "that he cannot live till morn-"And I have been lying iedly here!" I exclaimed with remorse. "Lead me to him!" "He is delerious, but in the intervals of lunacy he asks for you, sir," and as the man spoke we stood beside the dving boy.

It is a trite saying, and none the less true for The sufferer did not lie in his usual hammock, for it was hung in the very midst of the crew, and the close air around it was too stifling; but It is always policy to do right, and never policy he had been carried under the open hatchways, and laid there in a little open space of about four feet square. From the sounds of the ripples, Ill-gotten gain will prove coals of fire in your treasure-box, which in the end will burn betokened that the fog had broken away. How for a young chicken. boy. Occasionally a light current of wind- "don't talk so much about the aged and re-Riches acquired by deception or fraud will ultimately bring down disasters upon your eddied down the hatchway and lifted the dark corn that was planted in our town."

chestnut locks of the sufferer, as, with his head If you would have favor in the sight of God, reposing in the lap of an old veteran, he lay in unquiet slumber. His shirt color was unbut-If you would have the confidence and respect | toned and his childish bosom, as white as that of a girl, was opened and exposed. He breathed of your fellow men, be honest in all your dealquick and heavily. The wound of which he was dving had been intensely painful, but with-"An honest man is the noblest work of God." in the last half hour had somewhat lulled, under the head of "Investments Becoming a A good name is rather to be chosen than though even now his thin fingers tightly grasped Farmer," says that in other years the whole the bed-clothes, as if he suffered the greatest aim of the Southern planter has been more Establish a reputation for strict integrity in

hand, and gazing sorrowfully down upon the home culture and comfort, books and papers, face of the sufferer. The surgeon knelt with and all the surroundings of improved and in his finger on the boy's pulse. As I approached telligent society. The "land pike" hog must they all looked up. The veteran who held him be traded off for the Chester, or some other shook his head, and would have spoken, but the | breed of equal value; cows that give ten quarts tears gathered too chokingly in his eyes. The surgeon said:

gold locket, which had lain upon the boy's goal of every Southern farmer's ambition. breast. "He has seen better days." I could not answer for my heart was full-

before, I had owed my life—a poor, slight, un- teaching as we have quoted is among the means protected child-laying before me with death that will hasten its coming. already written on his brow, and yet I had The dealer stooped and whispered in his dying never known his danger, and had never sought

pers, and beggars for the sober, industrious, have no way to show my gratitude, unless you and respectable portion of the community to will take the Bible that is in my trunk. It's a small offering, I know, but it's all I have on I burst into tears. He resumed:

"Has he come yet?" he asked in a low voice

"I am here," said I, taking the little fellows

He smiled faintly in my face. He then said

"You have been very kind to me, sir-kinder

Why won't he come?

"Doctor, I am dying, ain't I? My sight is ment the expenses, and endanger the welfare growing dim. God bless you, Mr. Danforth. 'Can I do nothing for you, Dick?" said I.

"You saved my life. I would coin my blood "I have nothing to ask-I don't want to live -only if it's possible let me be buried by my I will furnish an article which will increase mother, You will find the name of the place

number of distressing diseases, and render those "Anything, everything, my poor lad," I said chokingly. I shall deal in drugs which will deprive some The little fellow smiled faintly-it was like

It's a long, long way up there, but there are I will cause the rising generation to grow up bright angels among them. Mother used to say in ignorance, and prove a burden and nuisance that I would meet her there. How near they come, and I see sweet faces smiling on me from I will cause mothers to forget their sucking among them, Hark! Is that music?" and infants, virgins their priceless innocence. I will lifting his finger he seemed listening for a mo-

The spirit trade is lucrative, and some pro- A letter was recently received in New York

Bostmaster, blese to sent him strait Ben syl-vany is der staight: Olt Venango, dat's der gounty, Vere oil bours out mit Hefen's pounty: Franklin, she's der gounty seat, Der Bost Offise on Liberdy shtreet;

At what time was Adam married? Upon his

True wisdom is to know what is best worth

rext," as the Dutchman said the first time he saw a monkey.

sleeps, the other watches, and honor is safe. A sailor explains the distribution of prize-

Imitate the example of the locomotive. He runs along, whistles over his work, and vet never takes anything but water when he wants to "wet his whistle.

that he an't get them open when the contribu

vice to those it is bestowed on, yet it ever does a work of beauty and grace upon the heart of the giver. "You've destroyed my peace of mind, Betsy,"

An old lady who pretends to "know all. about it." says the only way to prevent steambeat explosions is to make the engineers "bile their water on shore." In her opinion, "all the bustin' is done by cooking the steam on

phant's skin?" "Yes, sir, I did," piped a little fellow away down at the toot. "Did you, Be saving. Wealth is but the accumulation hardships of my early life, and a thousand other Robert? Where was it?" "On an elephant, A Leavenworth editor is in quest of special

attractions for his paper. He says: "What we want for this column is personalities, as mean as possible. Expense of libel suits to be defrayed by the writer-funeral expenses by us. It was a little hard upon that poor little

ishment to relate simply to the bowels! A Fourth of July orator spoke of the United States as bounded on the east by the rising sun. on the north by the aurora borealis, on the south

manly thing in the world. It will alone gentilize, if unmixed with cant; and I know of nothing else that will alone .- Coleridge. Says a Western paper of its rival: "The editor of the Times has been presented with a

Texts of Scripture have often been inscribed upon coins. One of the most remarkable is on a copper coin issued by the Papal government, on which are the words, Va vobis divitibus-

· Woe to you who are rich.' "I fear, sir," said the messenger, shaking from?" Without a moment's hesitation, the

> FORTY YEARS .- Forty years once seemed a broken shrines where a thousand hopes have wasted into ashes; footprints sacred under their drifting dust green mounds, the grass of which

AN OLD CHICKEN .- In attempting to carve I judged the schooner was in motion, while a fowl one day, a gentleman found considerable the clear, calm, blue sky, seen through the ope- difficulty in separating its joints, and exclaimed ning overhead, and dotted with myriads of stars, against the man who had sold him an old hen

"I know that," said her husband, "and believe this hen scratched it up.'

THE Southern Farmer (Memphis,) in a most admirable article upon the needs of that section, land, more negroes! Now it should be and A battle-stained and grey-haired seaman must be, less land and better culture—improved stood beside him holding a dull lantern in his seed and a larger crop—tasteful residences, of milk a day for those that give twenty; old farming tools for the better new. In short, the "He is going fast-poor little fellow-do you life of the progressive nineteenth century, see this?" and as he spoke he lifted up a rich instead of the life of the dark ages, must be the However brave these words may be, we believe that the Utopia they tell of will some here was the being to whom, but a few hours | time be in a measure realized; and that such

> be turned into remunerating crops, it would amount in the aggregate to at least one hundred

"One reason for this increase is, cultivating a great deal of land with a small force, and especially the absence of all previous plants.

LERUTHS AND

Sharly Taylor, he's der man; Send dis ynst so quick you can.

Where did Joseph go when he was fifteen years old? Into his sixteenth year. Starch is the best article yet discovered to

knowing, and to do what is best worth doing If a man is a teetotaller, he need not always be out of spirits. "He told me," says Artemas Ward, "to git out of the office. I pitied him, and went. "Mine Got! vot vill de Frenchman make

When one man says that another man's pinions are correct, it will generally be found that the opinions of both are alike. There is no permanent love but that which

has duty for its elder brother; so that if one

money to be as follows: "It is sifted through a ladder. What falls through goes to the offi-A Boston paper mentions an individual there who "clasps his hands so fervently in prayer

Charity is never lost. It may be of no ser-

said a desponding lover to a truant lass. "It can't do much harm, John, for t'was an amazing small piece you had, any way," answered

pose. I sought my hammock and soon fell asleep. But my slumbers were disturbed by day-school class, "did you ever see an ele-"Boys," asked the teacher of an infant Sun-

> school boy in Porter county, Indiana, to have administered to him a tremendous cathartic by the schoolmistress, who construed physical pun-

began the world with nothing, and worked their say; for they were rude and coarse, he delicate the west by the day of judgment. SECRET OF TRUE GENTILITY .- Depend upon it, religion is, in its essence, the most gentle-

cabbage head." Retorts the Times-"Cer-

Recently a rector of a parish in Toledo, Ohio. in catechizing the children of his Sunday school, asked: "Where did the wise men come answer came from a little five-year old : "From Boston!" The father and mother of the little catechumen are natives of the Bay State.

ong and weary pilgrimage to tread. It now seems but a step. And yet along the way are is fresh with the watering of tears; shadows even, which we would not forget.

calm it smiled down on the face of the dying "My dear," said the enraged man's wife oh! how deliciously cool in that pent up hole- spectable Mr. B.; he planted the first hill of

AGRICULTURAL.

THE Country Gentleman (Albany) pertinently